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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Abdul-Ridha, et al.**)
 Serial No.:)
 Filed:)
 For: "Improved Structures Based on)
 Ceramic Tantalum Nitride")

Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

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 This is a Rule 1.53(b) divisional of the parent)
 United States application entitled "Method for)
 Fabrication of Ceramic Tantalum Nitride and)
 Improved Structures Based Thereon,")
 Serial No. 09/512,397 filed February 24, 2000,)
 and assigned to the assignee of the present)
 application.)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

Honorable Commissioner of
 Patents and Trademarks
 Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir/Madam:

This amendment is directed to the accompanying 37 CFR §1.53(b) divisional application.

This divisional application is classified in Class 361, Subclass 305. The pending parent application Serial No. 09/512,397 is classified in Class 438, Subclass 710 in Art Unit 2831.

Please enter the following amendments in the present Rule 1.53(b) divisional application.